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**ABSTRACT:**

**PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:** To permit a plurality of persons to share a telephone directory file while securing a certain degree of privacy.

**SOLUTION:** This system is provided with a storage means 6 storing a plurality of telephone directory files 6a, a retrieval means 4 retrieving a prescribed telephone directory file from the storage means 6, and a display means 1 displaying contents of the telephone directory file retrieved by the retrieval means, and allows circulation and update of the telephone directory

files, and also with a telephone directory dependent user management file 6c in which one permission user or two or over are registered for each telephone directory file, an identification information entry means 2 entering identification information of the user, and a user confirmation means 5 that confirms correctness of identification information entered by the identification information entry means 2 and provides an output of a retrieval instruction to the retrieval means 4 when correct. The retrieval means 4 retrieves only a telephone directory file in which the user denoted by the identification information depending on the retrieval instruction is registered as the permitted user in the telephone directory dependent user management file 6c from the storage means 6.

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